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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:  
ATSUSHI KOIKE, ET AL.  
Application No.: 09/818,640  
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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS  
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Examiner: Eric B. Fuller  
Group Art Unit: 1762

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Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated November 30, 2001, imposing a restriction requirement in the above-identified application.

REMARKS

The Examiner has required election of a single disclosed invention for prosecution on the merits in this case. The Examiner alleged the existence of two patentably distinct inventions:

Group I: Claims 1-13, drawn to a method, classified in class 427, subclass 595, and

Group II: Claims 14-26, drawn to an apparatus, classified in class 118, subclass 715.

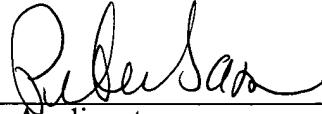
Applicants hereby provisionally select Group I, Claims 1-13, with traverse.

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